Mr. C. Kumara Das : Sir, Government do not propose to interfere with the day to day working of the factory.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : Because Government have got 51 per cent of the shares, have they not got a duty to do so?

President : We have handed over to a certain organisation the duty and the right of constructing or bringing into existence the Travancore Fertilisers and Chemicals. We were bound to start production by October this year. But mainly on account of the default of the British manufacturers in handing over certain machinery, that has to be postponed to February. It is only after the work in connection with the building is over and the factory handed over that we can exercise control over the establishment. As far as possible they are utilising the services of Travancore men. But if we say that only Travancoreans should be employed, they will turn round and say that the delay is due to us because we insisted on our own men alone being employed. That is why we have not done so. As soon as they start production they will come to our assistance and naturally we shall see that as many Travancoreans as possible are employed. That is the policy of the Government.

Mr. K. C. Chandy : The question relates to the Travancore Fertilisers and Chemicals and not to the Contractors who have undertaken the construction of the buildings and other work.

President : There is no factory now. It is only the contractors that now do the work. After completing the buildings and after passing various other stages, the concern will be handed over. The contractors are the managing agents in Travancore.

Fertilisers and Chemicals, Travancore, Ltd.

49. *Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that in the Fertilisers and Chemicals, Travancore, Ltd., all the posts drawing a salary of Rs. 100 and more are held by non-Travancoreans?

Mr. C. Kumara Das : Government have no information.

Sahib Bahadur K. Shahul Hameed : May I know whether the Government interfere in the matter of appointment at present?

Mr. C. Kumara Das : No, Sir.

Motor Vehicle Insurance.

50. *Mr. A. N. Satyanesan : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have considered the introduction of any insurance scheme for the motor vehicles in the State?

Mr. S. Narayana Aiyar : *(Financial Secretary to Government)* : Yes.

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